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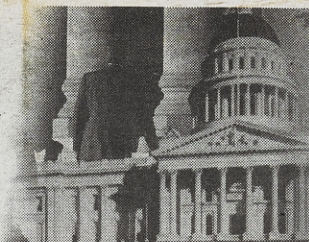
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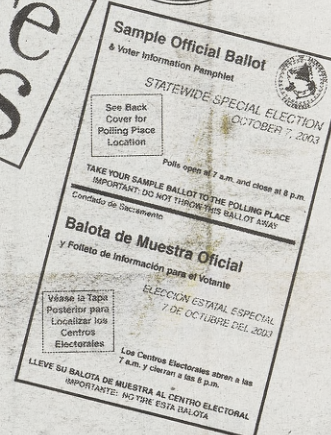
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Election Is Back on Course

By Geoffrey Winder
Managing Editor

California's historic Special Election is back on course (after some confusion and contention) for the original date of October 7th, with the gubernatorial ballot containing 135 candidates and two propositions.

The results of October 7th's election will have resounding impact on the political and social arenas in the United States for years to come.

While GLBT and

Community turn out is always important in maintaining the strength, clout and legitimacy of the GLBT vote, this election dictates the fate of a Governor who has furthered legal equality for the GLBT community more than any elected official in the nation's history.

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Jim Prigoff has been a longtime activist who has worked in the Sanctuary Movement. Jim is also known for his work as a Graffiti Photographer. He's also been involved in the movement to stop the Patriot Act, and in the living wage campaign.



Nina Shoman, Malaquias Montoya, Jim Prigoff, Donna Walker, Arlene Prigoff, Xochitl Lopez, Xochitl Rivera

Donna Walker has been a dedicated person in the area of civil rights in the Oakland area and in Sacramento. She has participated with the Sacramento Area Black Caucus. She is presently volunteering her time to tutor youth in K-8 grades at the Phoenix Park (formerly known as Franklin Villa) in a reading program.

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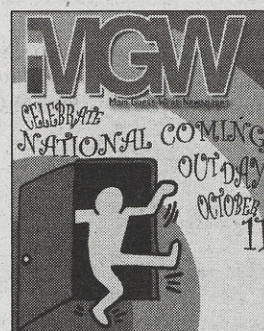
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Coming Out in 2003

By Geoffrey Winder
Managing Editor

So we find ourselves in 2003. The most comprehensive Domestic Partnership bill has been signed into law, and a slew of civil rights laws benefiting the GLBT community has created California (perhaps predictably and perhaps fittingly) the most welcoming state of the community.

It is now October. October is GLBT history month, and in it is also National Coming Out Day. It's been 15 years since Robert Eichberg and Jean O'Leary founded National Coming Out Day on October 11th, 1988. Eichberg and O'Leary founded the day to celebrate the first anniversary of the 1987 March on Washington and it's been celebrated annually on October 11th ever since.

Coming Out manifests itself differently for differently people, but it at its essence is the revelation of a truth that often stands in contradiction to the hegemonic assumption. It is a secret of the self, usually something socially unaccepted, culturally discredited, politically persecuted, and for many of us that happened to be our sexual orientation.

Sexuality and gender identity can be (or is forced to be) hidden, and the act of coming out is forced by the assumption that everyone in the world is heterosexual and gender conforming.

It is the act of revealing ourselves that creates the manifestation of tangible reality; it is the secret knowledge of ourselves said into to open, into the ears of our parents, our friends, co-workers and/or children that makes our truth reality.

Coming Out in the last half of the 20th century and into 21st has been understood to relate to sexuality. It has been the hetero-normative culture that has forced queer folks into silence, queer; gender and sexuality theorists, historians and philosophers have traced the ebb and flow of acceptance through the centuries.

And like acceptance of sexual orientations other than heterosexual, the issue of coming out has altered as well. Historically and in some places currently, religious beliefs must be hidden, the revelation of one's actual religion and belief. The "mulatto" product of "miscegenation" (when those words were cultural norms) who could pass for white was confronted with the issue of "coming out" as not fully white. The "reds" in the time of the "Red Scare" were forced, ferreted (in some cases falsely) into coming out as communist, anarchist or socialist.

So what does it mean, that now, as a 21 year old man, I

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came out at the age of 16... that my sexuality is becoming an accepted norm, and perhaps in another 15 years the term coming out will mean something altogether different.

Coming out will always be the act of revealing oneself has defying the cultural, social and political norm. So this coming out day, and every coming out day, to honor the timeless tradition ... let a truth about yourself be known!

Whether you Come Out as Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Inter-sex, or Straight Ally; Come against the occupation of Iraq; Come Out against the disappearances of Muslim and Arab Americans; Come Out against the right wing attacks; Come Out against Prop 54. ▼

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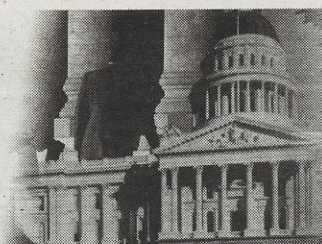
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INCURIOS George

By Thom Rutledge
MGW Guest Commentary

A New York Times editorial ("The Presidential Bubble" 9-25-03) describes George W. Bush as "one of the most incurious men ever to occupy the White House." Well said. Genuine curiosity is the clearest demonstration of respect for others, but this man has little of either of these characteristics. Incurious George is blatantly without respect for anyone other than those who are just like him.

The Times editorial contrasts President Bush's preferred persona as a man of the people with the truth of his almost total insulation from the people. The editorial sites the regular practice prior to Presidential public appearances of Secret Service personnel ushering critics of the president into "protest zones" that are sometimes as much as a half-mile from where President Bush is appearing.

This guy is no "man of the people," that is for sure. Hell, I even take issue with the use of the term "public appearance" when it comes to this

president. It seems more likely that he is very carefully placed in front of selected groups of adoring fans for photo ops and his tough guy speeches.

I don't really think that Incurious George is much different from other spoiled rich babies that many of us have known, but the problem here is that this oblivious s.o.b. has the power to ruin millions of lives, and has to date been responsible for killing thousands. (That is, killing thousands of innocent people.) To their credit, most of the Richie Rich's we have known are not killers.

But I know that Incurious George doesn't think of himself as a killer. And part of that problem is the result of his insulation from the rest of the country (and world). The Times editorial also quotes Incurious George as saying that when it comes to newspapers, "I glance at the headlines" but "rarely read the stories."

This admission demonstrates that we are dealing more with dangerous ignorance than we are with stupidity: he clearly does not

understand the implications of his telling us that he doesn't read newspapers. (I'm betting that he does read the funnies.)

Ultimately it is not Incurious George's fault I suppose. He was born into insulation, has grown up in insulation — having been carried by the wealth and reputation of others the entire way — and apparently lives happily in insulation, smirking, sneering, tough-guy-talking, and laughing at his own jokes.

Whether or not it is Incurious George's fault, it is our responsibility as citizens of this country to put a stop to the powerfully destructive ripple effect this president is sending out every day of his administration.

I am grateful to the New York Times for the editorial that inspired this particular rant of mine, and I want my own ripple effect to include a reminder to all American citizens to look closely in the direction of Incurious George when the stark light of objective reality is shining on him. As we say in Texas, where both Incurious George and I are from, this emperor is buck naked. ▼

Thom Rutledge is a psychotherapist and speaker in Nashville Tennessee. He is the author of several non-fiction books, including *Embracing Fear* & *Finding the Courage to Live Your Life* (HarperSanFrancisco, 2002).

Coming Out For Fallen Heroes

By Mark Lorden
MGW Staff

There's an Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps out there that even the Veterans don't talk about — the way it really was — so to speak. The way movies and books try to capture the reality of military life, but always fall short.

As for me, I was twenty years old, a brand new member of the elite 10th Special Forces, the same unit you've heard so much about lately in Afghanistan. I barely had time to unpack when the unit left for a training mission at Race Point, on the tip of Cape Cod. The nearest town to Race Point was Provincetown, Massachusetts, probably one of the most GLBT friendly places in America.

My first night in town I was invited out to one of the local bars and was surprised as I walked in and noticed one of the Sergeants on the Scuba Team in the middle of the dance floor, dancing with a man (one of the locals). At the time I figured that he was simply intoxicated and was cutting up for a few laughs; but that wasn't the case I found out later.

The Sergeant was actually gay, and everyone knew it. His team knew it, most everyone in the company knew it, but nobody cared; the reason being simple, the man knew three languages, was one of the craziest, toughest people you could hope to have on your side.

I began to see why his team accepted him, and what was really important to soldiers. I realized that the homophobic rhetoric and indoctrinations of basic training meant

little when the life and death realities were; *whom could you count on when the going got tough? Who would cover your back and who wouldn't?* Beyond that it didn't really matter if you were a Mormon, Mexican or mountain lion.

And now here come 32 Republican lawmakers upset about a plaque honoring GLBT Veterans killed in action while serving their country. These Republicans come before us, straight faced, in the name of fairness and patriotism and demand the removal of the plaque.

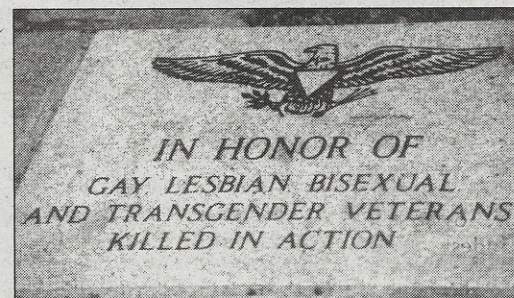


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They claim the GLBT Veterans have claimed a special status, perhaps the plaques were meant solely for wealthy donors, those who paid in green — not in red. It makes one wonder if any of these lawmakers have even seen the monument.

And I guess that "special status" doesn't apply to the *Veterans of Mexican Ancestry* (they also have a plaque), or any of the other Veterans who have suffered discrimination from the government and country they died for.

As a straight veteran I must speak out and tell people that these politicians don't speak for me! The sergeant wasn't the only gay man I ever met in the military, and to deny that GLBT people served (or serve) in the military would be foolhardy and false.

To deny GLBT Veterans a plaque honoring their dead (and ours as a nation) is simply un-American. To deny any group a plaque to their fallen heroes based on race, religion, gender or sexual orientation is wrong, and contrary to the ideals most of us (veterans) thought we were defending. I would appeal to those 32 lawmakers to resist the special interest, and let the inquisition remain a part history. ▼

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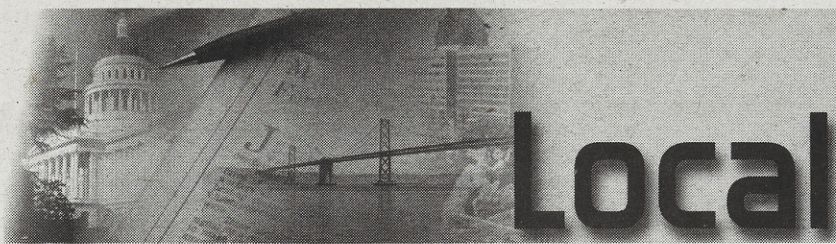
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Out In The Valley

Mom Guess What... We're Coming Out in Modesto!

By Donny Dunow
MGW Staff

Greetings from the Valley and Happy Coming Out Day! Coming out is a much greater event to some than it is to others. Coming out is much easier in some places than others. Location can play a large part in the ease at which people come out.

Modesto is not like San Francisco, or Sacramento even, but if you are coming out, know that you are not the only person in Modesto to do it.

Some people may need coaching to help them through their tough times. In order to help in the process, some people seek out others who have had the same experience, hoping their experiences in coming out can act as an inspiration or as models for their own coming out. No matter where you are in your coming out process, there are support groups and other organizations in Modesto that may show you that you're not alone and that it's okay to be gay. ▼

Here are a few resources if if you're coming out in Modesto!

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All youth activists and leaders, regardless of sexual orientation are encouraged to attend, and be trained in a variety of leadership skills, including how to start a Gay-Straight Alliance, GSA growth and development, meeting facilitation, membership building and student activism. Participants also have the opportunity to prepare for a special GLBT youth forum sponsored by Assemblymember Darrell

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Pride In Chico Thrives

By Mark Lorden
MGW Staff

Growing up in New England I still feel a sense of gratitude when good weather shines on an outdoor event. Such was the case Saturday the 20th when the Imperial Sovereign Court of the Zarczarist Dynasty sponsored the thirteenth annual Chico Pride Fest among the sprawling oaks, and lush green lawn of Manzanita Place, in Chico.

The festivities were officially opened by Chico Mayor Maureen Kirk who read a proclamation from the city of Chico, recognizing the efforts of the Chico Pride Fest in bringing people together to celebrate diversity.

Also on hand was Chico city council member Scott Gruendl, the only HIV positive elected official in California. Gruendl gave his enthusiastic welcome to the crowd, and used the occasion to publicly thank Governor Gray Davis for his efforts to expand AB205 the Domestic Partners Program.

But the day wasn't all politics, the soothing sounds of Akimbo a reggae sounding, Sacramento based band - soon filled the air, and vendors were everywhere. Co-chair Debbie K. Mueller said, that she expected around twelve hundred people to attend the Pride Fest, and maybe

half that number would attend the indoor party later that evening. Mueller stated that the huge success of the Pride Fest is evidence that the GLBT community is alive, and well in Chico, and to that I would agree. ▼



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Chico pride attracted a diverse range of people to enjoy the festivities and entertainment.



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Jennifer Wunder and Julian Devine enjoying the atmosphere at the Chico Pride Fest 2003.

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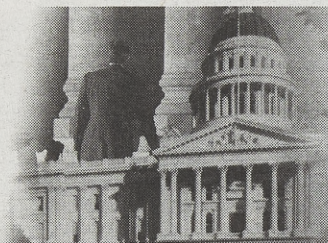


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Domestic Partner Law Draws Fire From The Right

MGW Staff

Three days after it's signing by Gov. Gray Davis a legal challenge to California's new domestic partners law was filed Sacramento County Superior Court by Republican state senator Pete Knight. Knight, spearheaded Prop 22 (the Knight Initiative) that defined marriage as a union between a man and a woman, which California voters endorsed in 2000, and according to Knight, the Domestic Partners Rights and Responsibilities Act of 2003, is in direct conflict with.

The lawsuit names Davis

and other state officials with violating the state constitution and calls on the court to prevent the law from going into effect. "It's a sham," said Knight "It's a backdoor, roundabout mechanism to override Proposition 22. ... What they're saying is they want to have the benefits without calling it marriage."

A spokesperson for the governor said new law granting same-sex couples most of the rights of married couples does not violate Prop. 22 because it does not legalize gay marriage.

Assemblywoman Jackie Goldberg, author of the bill, said Knight's lawsuit wasn't surprising. She said the Legislative Counsel of California reviewed the bill earlier this year and already decided it did not go

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against Proposition 22.

"The Legislative Counsel decided this was not marriage, that this was domestic partnership," Goldberg stated. "They're not going to win, but they'll raise a lot of money and confuse a lot of people."

Knight has the support of at least two other conservative Republican members of

the state Assembly, assemblymen Dennis Mountjoy and Tim Leslie, who say they expect a court will strike down the law.

Three years ago, when Knight launched Prop. 22, he compared gays to pedophiles. Knight's aversion to homosexuality has roots and repercussions in his own family. It extended to

his gay brother who died of AIDS. It also estranged him from his son David, ever since the day he came out more than six years ago.

Assemblyman Paul Koretz responded to a lawsuit stating, "The Yes On 22 campaign repeatedly told voters in public statements and in official ballot arguments that Prop. 22 would not affect domestic partnership rights."

Without those moderating statements, the discrimination in Prop. 22 would not have been palatable to California voters. Senator Knight, by filing this lawsuit, is attempting to swindle California voters with a bait and switchscam." ▼

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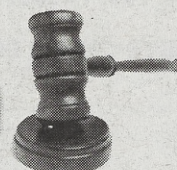
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Family Values

By Sally Sheklow
MGW Staff

I grew up in a Southern California tourist town. Going home to see my family is different than if you're from, say, Omaha. People aren't envious when you book your flight to the meatpacking capital of the world. My hometown radiates glamour. But Palm Springs, to those of us who had to go to high school there, is hot and desolate and boring—even if it is the home of your first hickey.

My parents, in their delight with the news of my being a lesbian, stopped inviting me to family occasions. To prove I was a normal college kid, I went home for spring vacation anyway. I had my first real girlfriend and I wanted to show her off. Coming out was joining the elite. I felt superior. I wanted my family to see just how cool I had become.

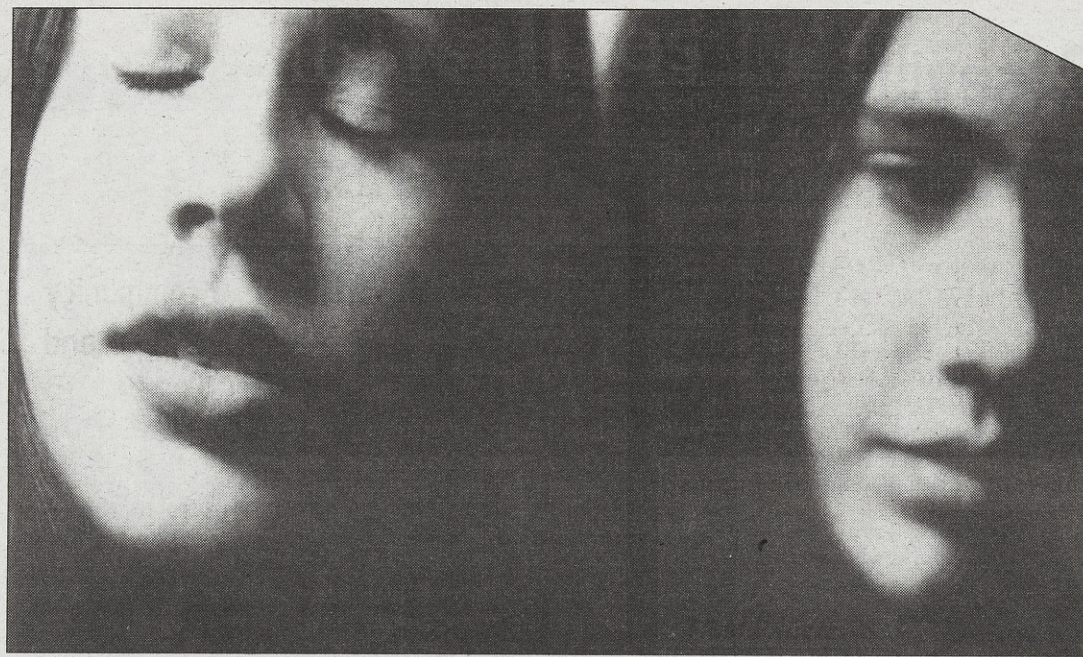
Amazingly, the relatives I'd traveled a thousand miles to visit had no interest in "that athletic girl Sally brought home." After a few hours of being ignored in my childhood

home, I needed a break.

For some reason explainable only by the SoCal stupidity vortex, I volunteered to take my seven-year-old niece to Disneyland. Girlfriend and I would show my folks that lesbians do so have family values. What more normal, family-oriented activity is there than driving a rented Buick for two hours with an impatient kid who has a bladder the size of a filbert?

My last visit to the Magic Kingdom was with my Palm Springs High class of '68 graduation party. The attractions were free. A bunch of us grads crammed into a little tramcar and whirled up and down the Matterhorn all night. We laughed and screamed our heads off the whole time. Now I'd find out if that mountain ride was any fun without psychedelic enhancement.

My niece wanted to play on Tom Sawyer's Island, not wait an hour in a crowded line for a three-minute ride.



Girlfriend took her off to Adventureland and left me to enjoy my nostalgia experience, which was brief and disappointing. I missed having friends to scream with. And I learned another lesson: Disneyland's Matterhorn isn't even really a mountain! It's nothing but a mediocre roller coaster and fake rocks.

Who knew? I also learned that if you agree to reconnect with someone at the Fantasyland entrance, you are likely to end up listening to Snow White's aria about fifteen gazillion times (*La-ha-*

ha-ha-hah). Our six p.m. meeting time had long passed. I stood at the castle gate—like the loyal, normal family person I am—while the swans, who were probably wearing tiny little earplugs, swam lazy circles in the moat.

The security guards started clearing the park. I had the car keys so my girlfriend and niece couldn't have left without me. Where were they? Didn't they know Rule #1 of families: "be where you say you're going to be"? A real family always meets at the meeting place. Unless someone's hurt. My God, why did I let my niece out of my sight? The guards assured me no injuries had been reported and shooed me through the exit.

My missing family du jour had to be somewhere out there in the Disneyland parking lot, which is approximately the size of Liechtenstein. Snow White's

voice rang in my brain while I marched toward the general longitude and latitude of the Buick. Far in the distance I saw the silhouettes of their disloyal little heads. What were they thinking?

No, meeting in the parking lot was NOT plan B. No, I did not think they were smart to know I'd eventually show up at the car. And no, I did not want any goddamn mouse ears.

I steered us back onto the freeway, but I was a wreck. So much for lesbian superiority. And who wants to be normal anyway? You couldn't have told us apart from all the other crabby, cranky, normal families driving away from the Happiest Place on Earth. ▼

Sally Sheklow writes and lives childfree with her life partner in Eugene, Oregon.

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PFLAG Is Coming Out In Remembrance

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Sacramento PFLAG will sponsor a Service of Remembrance on October 19, 2003, at 3:00 PM at St. John's Lutheran Church. This service is offered as a memorial to all the victims of violent death because they were (or were perceived to be) gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered. The Honorable Heather Fargo, member of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors is to be Honorary Chairperson of this significant event.

The Service of Remembrance is an interfaith service that embraces a variety of spiritual expressions including the Jewish, Christian, Buddhist, Muslim and Hindu traditions.

The shocking murder of Matthew Shepard placed a

By coming out, people risk their homes, their jobs, their friendships, their faith community memberships, their family relationships and even their lives.

spotlight on the terrifying magnitude of hatred directed toward GLBT people and the people who care about them.

Sadly, Matthew is only one name on a lengthy roll call of people who have died at the hands of ignorance and bigotry. The first Service of Remembrance was held at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in 1999.

Featured during the service will be a reading of a list of close to 650 names whose deaths have been the result of fear, hatred and intolerance toward their sexual ori-

entation or gender expression. The service provides the opportunity to remember their lives with love, bear witness to the atrocity of their deaths and affirm as a community that hatred and violence must end.

The Service is annually scheduled near National Coming Out Day; recognizing the fact that coming out is a risk and very dangerous for GLBT people and their families. By coming out, people risk their homes, their jobs, their friendships, their faith community memberships, their family

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Sac County Hosts Conference on GLBT Aging Issues

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Guest speakers **Herbert Bauer, MD, MPH** will begin with a 1-hour presentation on traditional roles of sexuality and intimacy throughout life's developmental stages. **Kristy Finzer, MFT** will follow with a 3-hour presentation discussing the needs GLBT older adults face as they age.

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Make the Invisible Visible. First and foremost, LGBT History Month is about making the invisible visible. LGBT people already exist in English, Social Studies, Science, Math and Art curricula; the problem is their invisibility!

Many of the authors who regularly appear on reading lists of American and British Literature, for example, were/are LGBT people: James Baldwin, Willa Cather, Lord Byron, Lorraine Hansberry, Christopher Marlowe, Alice Walker, Walt Whitman, E.M. Forster, Virginia Woolf, Countee Cullen, Hans Christian Andersen, Audre Lorde, Oscar Wilde, May Sarton, and Henry David Thoreau are just a few.

LGBT historical figures are not limited to writers, however; there are countless historians, politicians, social activists, scientists, mathematicians, artists, philosophers, inventors, even world leaders, who comprise the historical and contemporary

LGBT global community. Many of these individuals already appear in school curricula, and knowing about their sexual orientation often can help us to gain a better understanding of their contributions to society.

At the same time, there are many LGBT notables who did not receive the recognition they deserved in their time as a direct result of bias against their sexual orientation or gender identity/ expression. It is especially important to learn about these individuals, as anti-LGBT bias clearly impacted their legacy. A perfect example is Bayard Rustin, one of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s key advisors during the Civil Rights Movement. Rustin was a member of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) inner circle and the primary strategist for the 1963 March on Washington. Due to controversy over his sexual orientation, however, his monumental contributions to the Movement often have been overlooked on Bayard Rustin's legacy. The Stonewall Uprising, the first openly gay bar in New York City, was the birthplace of the gay liberation movement. The Stonewall Uprising, the first openly gay bar in New York City, was the birthplace of the gay liberation movement. The Stonewall Uprising, the first openly gay bar in New York City, was the birthplace of the gay liberation movement.



The Greek letter Lambda was chosen by the Gay Activists Alliance in 1970 to become a symbol of the gay/lesbian movement, in physics "Lambda" means high energy and this was translated into a symbol of power and activism. The word "Lambda" denotes the concepts of "lesbian and gay male" with a minimum of syllables



In 1978 Gilbert Baker of San Francisco made a committee request for a durable rainbow flag, designed and made a flag with the colors of the rainbow—a color for each letter of the rainbow. Today it is the symbol of gay and lesbian pride, and is used in the U.S. and California state flag.

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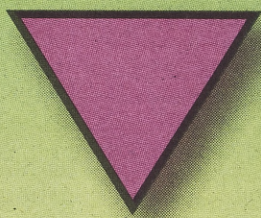
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and the origin of the pink
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to celebrate the first anniversary of
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has been celebrated annually on
October 11th ever since.

"Most people think they don't know anyone gay or lesbian, and in fact
everybody does. It is imperative that we come out and let people
know who we are and disabuse them of their fears and stereotypes."

Robert Eichberg, 1993 Interview
Co-Founder of National Coming Out Day



The Nazis required known homosexuals to wear
an inverted pink triangle so that they could
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1970's, gay activists began using the symbol to
identify themselves, and at the same time, call
attention to this forgotten chapter of gay
history.

"The Mother Of US All"

Opens At The San Francisco Opera

By Wayne R. Anderson
MGW Staff

If you expect a traditional libretto from Gertrude Stein, you're in the wrong opera house! Virgil Thomson certainly knew this when he and Stein began their second operatic collaboration *The Mother of Us All* (following the enormously successful *Four Saints in Three Acts*, which contained neither four saints nor three acts), on the life of the 19th century social activist Susan B. Anthony.

After its 1947 premiere, the opera met less acclaim than its predecessor, perhaps because it is less innovative or perhaps because the McCarthy era following late 1940s was hardly the right time to extol someone who challenged the political establishment.

Nevertheless the opera has seen numerous performances by smaller companies, and the fine 1977 Santa Fe Opera production is available on New World Records.

Rather than a straightforward narrative of Susan B. Anthony's life, the opera presents a series of scenes illustrating her obstacles, self-doubts, failures, and eventual posthumous success.

Various historical characters who in real life never met each other or Susan B., including Daniel Webster, Andrew Johnson, John Adams, Lillian Russell, Ulysses S. Grant and even Virgil Thomson and Gertrude Stein parade through the opera and comment (often inanely) on the action or debate with the protagonist. In preparing to write the libretto, Stein did extensive research into her subjects,

and much of the text is based upon the writing or speeches of these characters, from Webster's inflated pomposity to Grant's foolishness.

Throughout the piece, Susan B. remains a serious, sometimes disillusioned activist, totally devoted to her social causes, yet awash in the self-interest and uncomprehending silliness of the ordinary folk she is trying to help.

Along the way we see her involvement as an abolitionist, her views on marriage (not very positive), her ambivalence towards men (they can be kind but also brutes when frightened).

In the 1940s one did not deal with homosexuality in public, so it should not be surprising that, although composer, librettist, and likely Susan B. herself were all gay, nothing is made of this in the opera.

But in our more enlightened times, this production takes some liberties, showing physical intimacy between Susan B. and her companion Anne and an unmistakable attraction between two of the young men. Were she living today, it's a good bet that Susan B. would be a leader in the gay rights movement.

To some listeners, Gertrude Stein's libretto is off-putting with its frequent repetition of words and phrases ("... then a dog barks, a dog barks a dog barks any dog barks, listen to him any dog barks.") and its many seemingly meaningless inanities ("Daniel Webster needs an artichoke."). But after all, this opera is partly a comedy.

Thomson's tuneful scores were pioneers in American opera. Eschewing the atonal European vogue, he gave his operas a distinctly American sound by incorporating melodies reminiscent of folk music and the use of staccato orchestration with a popular feel to it.

This score runs the gamut



Photo Courtesy / Ken Friedman

Luana DeVol (Susan B. Anthony) with David Ossenfort (Andrew Johnson), Jeffrey Wells (Daniel Webster) and Jonathon Boyd (Thaddeus Stevens) in Stein and Thompson's opera depicting the life of 19th century social activist Susan B. Anthony.

from fast-paced intricate dialogue and choruses to Susan B.'s moving introspective soliloquies.

The SFO production, its first ever, used vivid colors and simple but whimsical sets to match the flavor of the opera. The large cast was extremely well coordinated and brought tremendous energy to the stage.

Although everyone was excellent, several artists should be singled out. Luana DeVol dominated the performance as Susan B., her rich powerful voice capturing the sadness and determination of the great activist. Tenor Jeffrey Lentz made Jo the Loiterer a central figure, with articulation so immaculate that the surtitles were superfluous.

As Susan B.'s companion Anne, Stephanie Novacek's liquid mezzo-soprano was a joy to hear. Donald Runnicles conducted an energetic yet moving performance and somehow managed to keep everything together in this complex fast-moving work.

Unfortunately numerous seats remained empty in the theater. With such conservatism in the operatic audience, how can opera be a vital living art form? Where are the music lovers who want something beyond endless repetitions of the old warhorses? ▼



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Luana DeVol as Susan B. Anthony dominated the performance with her rich powerful voice capturing the melancholy emotion of the serious and sometimes disillusioned activist.

The Girls in the Band

By Stefan Gruenwedel
MGW Staff

Prey for Rock & Roll Starring
Gina Gershon, Drea De Matteo,
Lori Petty, Shelly Cole.
Directed by Alex Steyermark.
(Rated R, 104 min.)

Rock and roll may look like fun and games on stage but it's hard work, long hours, and low pay for most bands. Living the rocker lifestyle is hell too, especially when you're pushing 40 and wondering whether achieving even a small amount of success is just a pipe dream.

Cheri Lovedog led the all-female punk rock band Lovedog across the LA club scene from the late 1980s to early '90s. Using her experiences as a singer, songwriter, and lead guitarist, she wrote a semi-autobiographical play, "Prey for Rock & Roll." Alex Steyermark's debut feature is an adaptation of that musical.

As music producer of the rock musical "Hedwig and the Angry Inch," Steyermark knows what he's getting into. Prey for Rock & Roll recreates a realistic indie music scene inhabited by misfits, egos, and nihilists. It's amazing this band has enough energy to get up each morning, let alone perform. Oh yeah, they practice too.

Gina Gershon plays Jacki, a slightly aging singer/guitarist whose full-body tattoos hint at her tattoo artist livelihood. When she's not applying ink to suburban girls she leads an all-girl punk band called Clamdandy. Her chief rival backstage is Tracy (Drea De Matteo), a kick-ass bassist whose attitude and choice of boyfriend leaves much to be desired. She basically shows up when she shows up, which doesn't sit well with the promoter-courting Jacki. Bringing up the rear are lead guitarist Faith (Lori Petty) and drummer Sally (Shelly Cole).

Sex and drugs are only some of the distractions that permeate their not-quite-glamorous lifestyle. Faith and Sally make a cute romantic couple, Tracy's shady boyfriend (Ivan Martin) has warning signs all over him, and Jacki is so tied up with the band that she all but ignores her sex-starved girlfriend (sexy model Shakara Ledard).

The numerous musical num-



"Prey for Rock & Roll" Starring Gina Gershon and Drea De Matteo

bers highlight the group's state of mind and bridge the various scenes. They're raucous and well executed. The chicks look suitably glamorous in that trashy way. Gershon performs her own vocals and all the songs are Lovedog originals. "Every Six Minutes" is one standout, about the violence women experience on a statistically frequent basis.

One day Sally's older brother, Animal (Marc Blucas), appears after being released from prison. Despite his odd, slightly menac-

ing name (and copious tattoos), his loyalty to the band endears him to the group.

It's here that Prey for Rock & Roll takes some unexpected twists. Animal is attracted to Jacki, who must deal with this new complication in her love life. Animal's influence on Tracy's boyfriend has the opposite effect: He feels intimidated by this new manly presence among them. In fact, he wigs out to the point of dragging the film into a disturbing display of violence

and vengeance that seems out of place with what's transpired what's transpired before. Equally regrettable is a fatal accident near the end that, once again, side-tracks the story from its interesting struggling-girl-band theme. Even if it's all true (it's "semi-autobiographical" after all), it didn't all have to appear in the film.

These plot devices aside, Prey for Rock & Roll, which premiered at the 2003 Sundance Film Festival and

won Best Narrative Feature at the Santa Cruz Film Festival, is a gritty portrait of musicians who form their own family, live on their own terms, and abide by their own rules.

Prey for Rock & Roll screens Saturday, Oct. 11 (7 pm) at the Crest Theatre as part of the Sacramento International Gay & Lesbian Film Festival.

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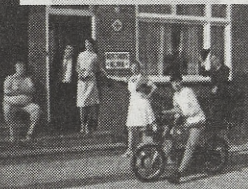
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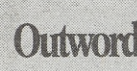
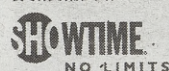


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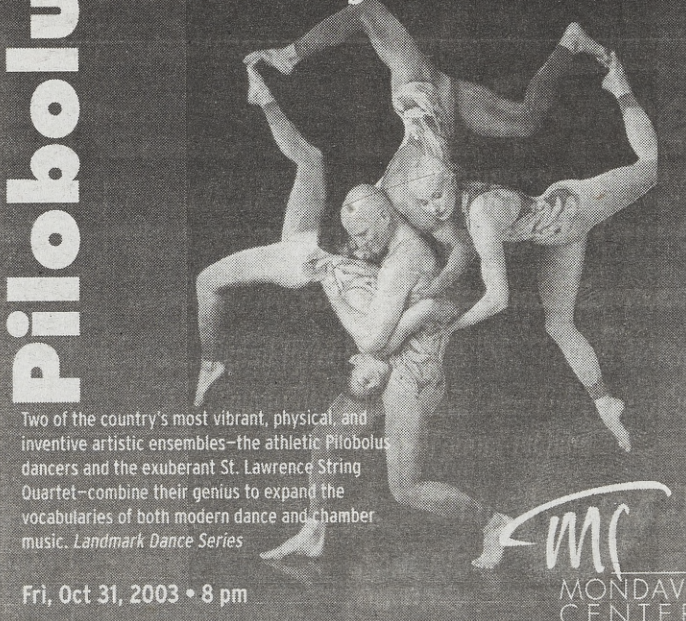
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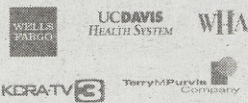
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What defines true patriotism and proper expressions of political dissent is a topic that's as germane today as it was thirty years ago.

Today we have Iraq and 9/11. Back then we had Vietnam, lynchings, political assassinations, and bombings of black churches. In different ways, these realities galvanized people to act and either question or accept the strategies political leaders pursued.

Taking their name from the Bob Dylan song, "Subterranean Homesick Blues" ("You don't need a weather man/ To know which way the wind blows"), the Weathermen arose amid the quagmire of the Vietnam War and the continuing injustices flamed by institutional racism. They began what can only be called a war against the government, hurling bombs at emblems of authority.

Sam Green and Bill Siegel's *The Weather Underground* expertly documents this era that fomented civil disobedience and outright revolution. Like other student-run, quasi-underground groups, such as Students for a

Democratic Society and the Black Panthers, the Weathermen sought to enact widespread political change outside the system.

Like other social movements at the time too, they extended their battle to attack social norms—for instance, seeking an end to monogamy by practicing group sex.

Unlike other groups, however, their political tactics turned many activists against them, fearful that they undermined their causes and disgraced the left.

Along with extensive archival material—including photographs, film footage, and FBI documents—*The Weather Underground* weaves historical artifacts with contemporary interviews of the individuals who participated in the movement. It's compelling storytelling that neither glorifies violence nor paints these individuals as heroes.

On one hand, the Weathermen were surprisingly successful, even if their flame burned briefly. They battled with police on the streets of Chicago, bombed the U.S. Capitol, and broke

acid-guru Timothy Leary out of prison. Closer to home, they detonated explosives in San Francisco's Ferry Building, which housed the Department of Prisons at the time.

On the other hand, the Weathermen are virtually unknown today. Even though their mug shots graced dorm rooms across the country (some of them were captivatingly good-looking), they managed to elude a massive manhunt and, for the most part, imprisonment. As luck (for them) would have it, charges against them were eventually dropped because the FBI gathered evidence largely illegally. (Today such a trifling detail would matter little today to John Ashcroft or Ann Coulter.)

As they look back on their years as underground fighters, these aging revolutionaries can't help but look somewhat deluded. Then again, we benefit from 20/20 hindsight. It's up to audi-

ences to gauge their level of dangerousness or degree of naïveté.

Have they sold out now and do they live in gated communities or drive SUVs? Happily, no. Although one of them serves a life sentence, the others either teach or work for various progressive causes. One of them runs a bar in New York.

Watching *The Weather Underground* leaves you wondering what you as an individual in 2003 are doing to ensure that civil rights are not eroded, that the United States doesn't turn into a police state, and that the word "traitor" isn't used to describe anyone who refuses to follow the marching orders of whoever runs the country.

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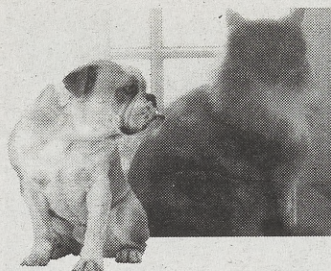
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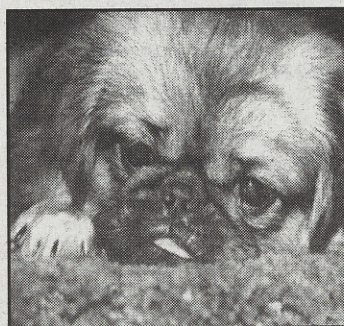
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Ten Tips for Preventing Pet Behavior Problems

By Randy Jammison
MGW Staff

1. Set rules immediately and stick to them.
2. Avoid situations that promote inappropriate behavior.
3. Observe the pet and provide what it needs to be cared for and attended to.
4. Supervise the new pet diligently through undivided individual attention and training, and restrict the pet's access to a limited area of the house until training is complete.



5. Encourage good behavior with praise and attention.
6. Correct bad behaviors by providing positive alternatives. (A toy for a slipper, scratching post for the sofa.)
7. Never physically punish or force compliance to commands. This may lead to fear biting or aggression.
8. Don't play rough or encourage aggression or play biting.
9. Expose pets to people, animals, and environments where you want them to live.
10. See your veterinarian if serious or unresolved behavior problems exist. ▼

A Howling Good Time At The Mongrel Mash

MGW Staff

Happy Tails Pet Sanctuary, Sacramento's first non-profit no-kill pet sanctuary, will be partnering again with Sacramento City Animal Care is presenting the Second Annual "Mongrel Mash & Dash", walk/run and day of festivities for dogs, dog owners and dog enthusiasts alike, October 18.

The "Mongrel Mash" whose theme comes from the popular song "The Monster Mash", is a fundraiser for the community's homeless, abandoned, and abused animals and is quickly becoming an annual Halloween event.

The three mile "Dash" run begins promptly at 9 in the morning, and at 9:15 for those who wish to walk (registration starts at 8am). For those without a pooch, there will be "best-friends for rent" from the Sacramento City Animal Care for a donation of \$10 with advanced registration. The "Mash" itself does not start until 10am, when the public is invited

to spend the day, admission free, with their dog(s), or simply watching the dogs, and family in William Land Park.

"This event is about helping those who can't help themselves," says Melinie diLuck Executive Director of Happy Tails, quoting the organizations motto.

The events planned for the day include: a book signing and Q&A session with author and columnist Gina Spadafori on her book *Dogs For Dummies*; on-site adoptions from dog rescue groups; a doggie costume parade; agility contests; police K-9's Search and Rescue dogs; Canine Companions, raf-

fles; food for you and your pooch; product vendors; and more!

So, come on out and have a "Howling Good Time" (...and your little dog too!) ▼

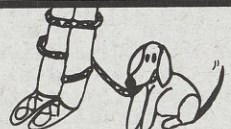
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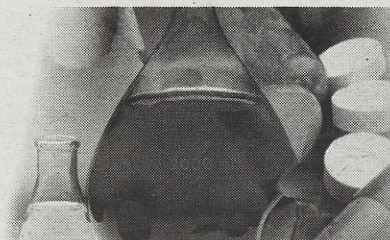
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HIV Newsline

On The HIV Front

By Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Former SF health commissioner faces prosecution for HIV infection...

A former city health commissioner who apparently lied to an ex-boyfriend about his HIV status now faces criminal charges of intentionally infecting him with the virus, according to the San Francisco district attorney's office. **Ronald Hill**, 46, who served on the health commission from 1997 to 2000, was arrested in mid-Sept in Grass Valley, held on \$100,000 bond at the Grass Valley jail, and scheduled to be arraigned in San Francisco.

While numerous other states have prosecuted intentional infection cases, it's the first test in California for a 1998 law that makes it a crime to knowingly expose another person to the virus that causes AIDS.

Hill's former lover, **Thomas Lister**, said he'd been dating Hill for about five months when, while taking an Alaskan cruise together in July 2000, he noticed papers indicating Hill was taking medication for HIV.

On the cruise, Lister suffered chills and fever, often a sign of recent HIV exposure. One of the ship's medical staff asked both men whether they had been tested for HIV, and both said they were negative.

After the trip, Lister went for testing and was told he was positive. He sued Hill in civil court in January 2001, and a San Francisco judge imposed a \$5 million default judgment against Hill, who disappeared during the civil trial, to be awarded to Lister. Lister has never received any money.

Condom news...

****Flavored condoms for inmates.** Prisoners' rights advocates in Canada defended a Manitoba government order for 40,000 flavored condoms that was cancelled following a public outcry. "The fact of the matter is that sexual activity takes place in prison facilities whether politicians like talking about it or not," said one advocate. "We do not want prisons to become incubators for a public health crisis."

Manitoba has supplied condoms to inmates since 1998 and wanted to switch to bulk purchases as a cost-cutting measure. In mid-September, officials ordered a two-year

supply of lubricated, non-spermicidal, flavored condoms to distribute to prisoners in 10 facilities.

Flavored condoms cost only slightly more than regular condoms and the thinking behind the order for flavored ones, said a department of corrections official, "is obviously that this will make it more usable by inmates." But reporters started asking questions about the order, and opposition Conservatives condemned the idea of a flavored condom expenditure.

"This government can't find the money so that farmers can feed and clothe their children through this [mad cow disease] crisis, yet somehow they can find this amount of money to give flavored condoms... to criminals," said one Conservative health critic.

"I don't care what they taste like," said the corrections official. "I do care that they're made available." Result — the government decided to buy a smaller number of regular condoms and revisit the bulk ordering idea later.

****55 sizes now available, and sure to fit!** Billed as a better way to prevent the spread of sexually transmitted diseases and reduce unwanted pregnancies, Internet retailer Condomania has begun offering 55 sizes of condoms. They say the "They-Fit" condoms [TheyFit.com] offer a more comfortable fit than other brands.

A better fit should lead to fewer tears and slippage problems, and less anxiety, say company officials. While some researchers say the correlation between the fit of a condom and how well it protects has not been clearly defined, and indicated they don't have the science to support a need for 55 sizes, most would likely agree that anything that encourages the use of condoms is a good thing. Most brand-name condoms, typically in three or four sizes, can be found in convenience stores or vending machines.

But stocking so many sizes will likely keep the They-Fit line available only through the Internet or specialty shops. Available by the dozen for an average cost of 75-99 cents each, all TheyFit condoms are packaged with no nonoxynol-9 or other spermicides added.

They-Fit makers say that after more than 7 years of work on the revolutionary idea, an agreement was reached with Condomania, America's first retailer to sell condoms on the Internet. Condomania's web site

offers a variety of studied, spiraled, and other specialty condoms and condom-related products, some containing nonoxynol-9. But They-Fit makers say their product does not, and will not contain N-9, which can irritate fragile membranes and possibly allow HIV transmission.

New treatment may locate hidden HIV...

A new two-step approach could offer the hope for controlling a lifelong AIDS infection, say researchers at the UCLA AIDS Institute. Experiments with a technique to locate and kill dormant HIV-infected immune system cells are showing promise in mice and are ready for testing in monkeys.

Although combination anti-retroviral therapy has the potential to keep people with HIV healthy for decades, it cannot reach the latent virus that lurks inside some cells. The UCLA researchers devised a two-step system — first, partially activating the cells where the virus hides, then killing the cells before the virus can escape.

"About one in a million T-cells holds latent HIV that the anti-retroviral drugs can't touch," they said. "In order to make it visible, so you can attack it, you have to activate it." But since activating all of a person's T-cells can cause potentially deadly illness, the research team used two compounds to only partially activate the cells — interleukin-7 and prostratin.

When the cells have been partially activated, the scientists fire the "guided missile" — an antibody spliced to a piece of diphtheria toxin. "The toxin kills the cell before lots of viruses are made." The technique cleared 70-80 percent of the reservoir of latent T-cells in mice without mistakenly attacking healthy cells. However, since HIV affects humans in a unique way, it is difficult for scientists to infer human results from animal experiments. Further, while the research director says he does not think the technique offers the possibility of a complete cure, it does offer the possibility that people could be able to safely stop or go off their meds for long periods of time.

DC's Walt Whitman Clinic facing financial crisis...

Facing a \$800,000 deficit in the next few months due to plunging

donations and rising costs, the renowned Whitman Clinic in Washington, DC, plans to begin selling off its transitional housing property, cutting its workforce, and charging for services to avoid severely curtailing services or closing the clinic. WWC was founded 30 years ago as a volunteer-run STD clinic for gay men.

The nonprofit organization grew steadily over the years, providing HIV/AIDS and related health services to thousands of low-income area residents. Like most nonprofits, say clinic officials, it depends on private fund-raising to close the gap. But WWC's fund-raising has dropped drastically in recent years.

From a steady flow to \$7 million in donations by 1999, donations plunged to \$4000 in 2001, then up again to \$100,000 last year. Officials say they want to raise close to \$1 million from their annual AIDS Walk on Oct. 1, but they are not optimistic.

By instituting a sliding scale for exams and services, and the other planned cost-saving measures, they could end the year with a surplus. But further cutbacks could result if federal funding decreases.

Merck and Aventis begin combo vaccine trial...

Drug makers Merck and Aventis say they have begun human clinical trials of a unique AIDS vaccine combo. The trials hope to analyze whether the addition of a potential vaccine made by Aventis to Merck's vaccine candidate will prove more effective than either alone.

Merck began human testing of its HIV vaccines in late 1999. The company's current candidate is based on a modified common cold virus that is used to deliver an HIV gene into cells to produce a strong immune response to HIV. Aventis's Alvac vaccine has been in development since 1992 and is a canary-pox, which delivers HIV genes into cells.

The conclusions early this year of the most advanced AIDS clinical trial thus far, by Vaxgen, proved to be a disappointment when it reduced the HIV infection rate by less than 4 percent in 5,400 men and women considered at high risk. At least 30 other AIDS vaccines are in various stages of development.

In Loving Memory of Friends Lost in October

In Loving Memory of friends lost in October

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Michael Biles/Mark S. Fairchild
David Cathey/James Thomas Martin

October 1992:
Michael Moffett/Leroy Bryson
Dave Eckert/Terry Stevens
Jerry D./Paul Shawver
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John Feltner

October 1993:
Dr. Sandy Pomerantz/Bradford Liszt
Randy Raimundo/Charles F. Greene III
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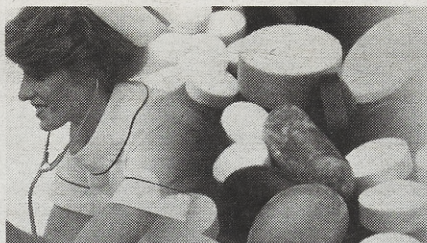
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Every now and then, take a second, breathe deeply, and think of me. To add the names of loved ones to MGW's remembrance column, call 737-0309. For info about creating a NAMES Project AIDS memorial panel, call 484-5646.

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Health + Wellness For Skin

Daily Cleansing Routine

By Deborah Frank
MGW Staff

Over the past three issues of MGW, we've said goodbye to bar soaps and harsh cleansers. We have turned our backs on Noxema, Clearasil and Ponds. We have learned about skin type vs. skin condition and have even covered pH balance and how it affects the products we choose for our skin. If you have missed any part of this journey to better skin, email me at Deborah@daymakerss-pa.com and I will catch you up!

So, I am assuming now, that you have a good cleanser, moisturizer and toner. These are the three "must have" products that make up a good thorough cleansing routine. Plan to cleanse, tone & moisturize twice daily, preferably once in the a.m. and again before bed. Men will need to shower, shave and then cleanse, in that order.

If your routine is to normally shower and get ready for work at the gym, remember to take your products with you and use them there. Gone are the days of letting your shampoo double as your facial cleanser. Buy three small plastic bottles and put some of your products in there for carrying with you. Trust me, it will be worth it!

Another rule I will like you to adopt is to stop using HOT water on your face and begin using WARM water instead. Avoid any extreme temperatures, they are not good, your skin doesn't like being "shocked".

Also, washcloths or those nylon puffballs or loofah sponges are out. Too much abrasion is not good for the skin and all three of those mentioned, harbor a lot of bacteria. Start to think that kinder and gentler is the way to go.

So, you want to start with cleansing. You will actually wash your face twice. The first cleanse re-

moves surface dirt, makeup etc. and the second really cleans your skin. You will use about a dime size of product worked into lather in your hands and applied to the entire face.

Include your neck and chest area as well. Splash to rinse or you can opt to use facial sponges, which are soft and can be either thrown away or run through the dishwasher to sterilize. Repeat the cleansing procedure twice. Next, while your face is still wet, spray or splash on your toner of choice.

The purpose of a toner is to balance the pH of your skin following cleansing. With your face still moist



from the cleansing and toning, you will now apply your moisturizer. The reason for not drying your skin with a towel is two fold. A towel is abrasive when rubbed vigorously on the face and secondly, moisture attracts moisture.

When your skin is moist, an application of moisturizer will be more effective since the drying effect of the water will draw in the moisturizer. Use a dime size amount of moisturizer as well, unless your face is particularly dry and flaky. Wait a few minutes before applying makeup or sunscreen.

Depending on the product line you have chosen, you should start to see some changes soon in your skin. You may actually see your skin condition worsen

before it improves. Don't panic! This is a common occurrence as your skin detoxifies.

If, however, after 2-3 weeks, you are not seeing considerable improvement, stop using the products and go back to the drawing board. You may have chosen a product line that is not compatible to your skin type.

If you have purchased your products at a reputable cosmetic counter or other location, go back with the products and discuss your problem. Most places will try to work with you and will exchange what you have been using for something else. Buy the smallest size products you can whenever you are first trying something new.

That way, you are not out a lot of cash if they won't exchange it for you. You may not find the perfect product the first time out, so be patient. Once you do, you will notice a huge improvement. Next time, we will discuss exfoliation! See you then!▼

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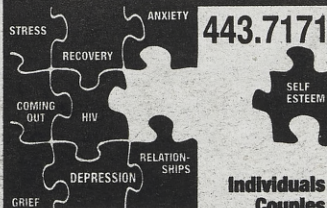
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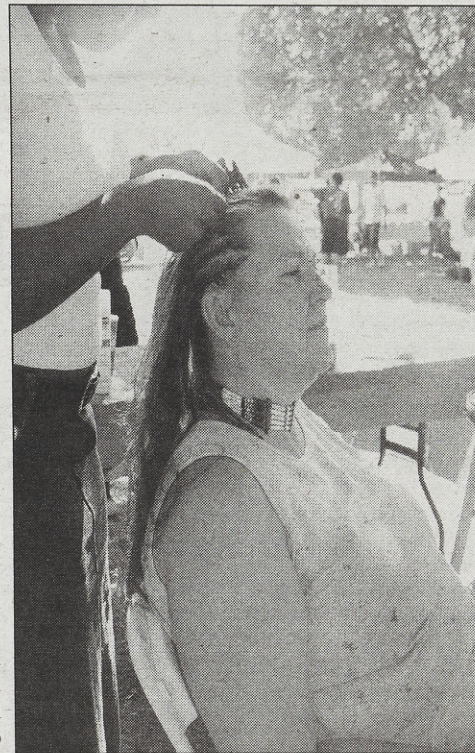
"ONE ROOT FEST"

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A part from the assorted on-stage music performances, One Root Festival is the place to taste food from various national origins. Guest will be able to patronize food vendors serving food from different cultures. Past food vendors have come from many origins including Greek, Polish, African, African American, Thai, Chinese, Mexican, Polish, Jamaican, South American and more. From Creole gumbo to Japanese sushi, One Root is the place to taste it all.

"Artistic expression as the third pillar of the festival, unearth the creativity in all of us," said co-founder Doris Jones Hassan. "The more we know about a culture through art, the more we see similarities with our own and the less different we begin to see others from ours and consequently the more related we will feel," said Anita Lowe, a creative potter and One Root Festival Vendor Coordinator.

One Root Festival is a family event that has some-



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One Root Festival Participant
Sandie Osborne receives a special hair braid treatment.

thing for everyone in the family. Apart from adult activities, the One Root Youth Village is special area filled with entertaining and educational performances plus arts and crafts and many interactive activities designed just for kids. ▼

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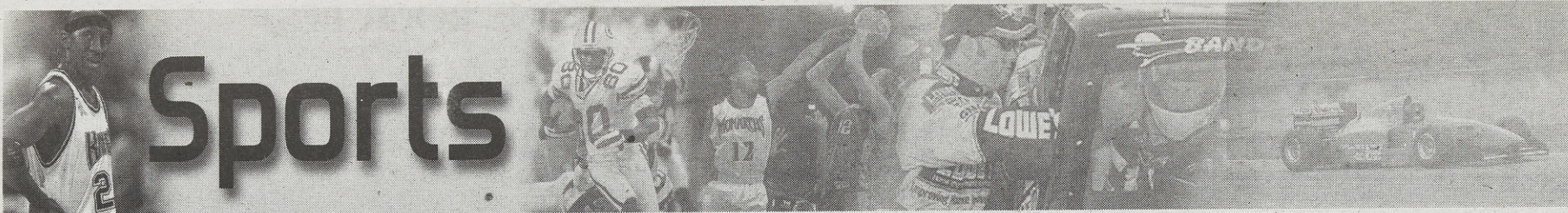
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Bowling In The River City

Cameron Yee
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The River City Bowlers winter league had a great start on Sept 7, as over 120 bowlers arrived for the first night of bowling. Twenty-eight five-person teams were formed and another season got underway. The league runs for 31 weeks and each week bowlers bowl 3

games. Bowling is every Sunday evening at 6:00pm at Land Park Bowl on Freeport Blvd. There are still openings on some teams, so those interested in bowling should come on down! There are also opportunities to be a substitute on any given week if interested participants don't want to or can't bowl the entire season.

If you want to have

some fun on a Sunday evening but are afraid that you're not a good enough bowler, don't sweat it.

Bowlers of all abilities are welcome. The averages from the first week ranged from 77 to 230 (due to the large range of abilities, this is a handicapped league). And if bowling is not your bag, come on down and socialize and root for your

favorite bowler or team. Also don't forget the **River City Classic**, Sacramento's own gay bowling tournament that attracts

bowlers from all over California and other western states. The tournament will be held

at Land Park Bowl on October 31 through November 2. ▼

Info:RCBowlers@aol.com

Some high scores for the first week were: Tom Lane 257 (690 series), Gary Filla 256 (625 series), Blair Leatherwood 233 (626 series), Donna Lewis 212 (554 series), Marian Nishimura 203 (527 series), Karen Jay 206 and Deanna Soares 517 series.



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"HIV"

From Page 18

Bone thinning not tied to therapy...

New research shows that the drugs given to people with HIV or AIDS do not influence their risk of bone thinning. Researchers at the National University of Cordoba in Argentina compared bone density in 111 people with HIV to 31 healthy subjects.

Those with HIV included 33 never treated with AIDS drugs, 36 treated for more than 1 year with one drug

regimen, and 42 treated for more than 1 year with another regimen. At all bone sites, thinning was more evident in those with HIV than in healthy subjects, and all HIV groups showed similar amounts of bone thinning. The study concluded that the only factor linked to bone thinning was the duration of HIV infection. The findings, say the researchers, suggest that HIV itself, not the drugs used to treat it, can have a harmful effect on bone metabolism.

Kaletra proves effective at 5-year point...

In a five-year study, most people using Abbott Laboratories' HIV drug Kaletra achieved and maintained undetectable viral levels and did not develop drug resistance. Abbott says the data demonstrate that undetectable viral levels can be maintained when Kaletra is administered in combination with NRTIs Lamivudine (3TC/Epivir) and Stavudine (d4T/Zerit).

The researchers said the study shows that people can be treated for HIV, that they can obtain viral suppression, and that, if the virus remains suppressed, people "are very unlikely to develop resistance to the treatment."

Goals to reverse worldwide epidemic may not be met...

HIV experts recently told the United Nations that the worldwide battle against AIDS is not going well, and that the UN's goal of reversing the course of the disease by 2015 might be too optimistic — and in fact, says the UN secretary general, may be impossible to meet.

An estimated 40 million people worldwide have AIDS, and this number is expected to double within the next six years. President Bush's promise to spend \$15 billion over the next five years to fight AIDS is proceeding too slowly, say some Democrats. In the first year, he has provided only \$2 billion of the \$15. ▼

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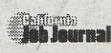
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LEZ BE FRIENDS: Lesbian Discussion Group, 7:30-9pm, Lambda Center, krnr58@msn.com

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4 SATURDAY
WEAVE FUNDRAISER: Black & White Gala, 5:30 pm, Convention Cntr; 319-4910
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AUTO SWAP MEET: Towe Auto Museum, 6am-1pm, 21st btwn W&X; 442-6802
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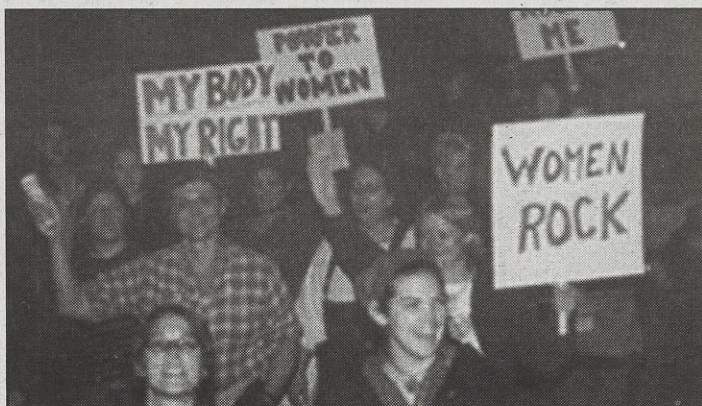
6 MONDAY
HIV NUTRITION: Nutrition Specialist Margie Erwin, 6-7:30pm, CARES, 917-6285

7 TUESDAY
SPECIAL ELECTION... REMEMBER TO VOTE!

8 WEDNESDAY
SEEKING SOPHIA: Workshop, Myth and Mystery of Holy Feminine In Our Lives, 7 pm, Parkside Community Church, 421-0492
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9 THURSDAY
DINNER & AUCTION: Fundraiser, Wellspring Women's Center, 6pm, Sterling Hotel, 1300 H St; 454-9688
TONY HAWK: Boom Boom Huck Jam, 7pm, Arco Arena; 649-8497
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ANGEL ISLAND DAY HIKE: GLS; 421-6209
YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING: GSA & GLBT Youth Leadership Training, 9-4pm, Sac GLSEN; sacglse@yahoo.com
MARCH AGAINST VIOLENCE: Take Back the Night, 6pm; North Steps of Capital, 319-4927

12 SUNDAY
AIDS PLANTS SALE: Last monthly Benefit Plant Sale, 9-3pm, 18th & J st; 429-8315

16 THURSDAY
WOMEN CONNECTING: LBT Women's Group, 7-8:30pm, 2400 Glendale Ln, Wyndance Cntr, Sac; 973-2838
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18 SATURDAY
MONGREL MASH: Sac Animal Care Services, 10-2pm, William Land Park, Happy Tails; 978-3109
PUMPKIN FESTIVAL: Half-Moon Bay Art & Pumpkin Festival, 10am-5pm, Oct 18-19, (650) 726-9652
WOMEN'S GAME NIGHT & POTLUCK: 4:30pm, DOT; 361-1495

19 SUNDAY
MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER: American Cancer Society Walk, 8-10am, West Steps of Capital; 446-7933 x 305
SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE: 3pm, St. John's Lutheran Church, 1701 L St, Sacramento PFLAG; 978-0410
BRISK RUN THROUGH THE PARK: Sac Zoological Society, 7am-noon, William Land Park, Sacramento Zoo; 443-6223

20 MONDAY
LESBIAN CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: 6:30-8pm, Uptown Studios, 912 1/2 J St., 920-7870, rox-annel040@aol.com

21 TUESDAY
2003 HARVEST DINNER: Interfaith Service Beareau, 5:30pm; Sac Japanese United Methodist, 536-1554

23 THURSDAY
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8:30pm, 2400 Glendale Ln, Wyndance Cntr, Sac; 973-2838
MENTAL HEALTH & AGING CONFERENCE: Sexuality and Aging and Working with Gay and Lesbian Older Adults, Sac County Mental Health Board, 8am-2pm, Eskaton Village Carmichael; 971-0893
DINING OUT W/ GLS: 6:30pm, Gay and Lesbian Sierrans; 359-8076
TRUE COLORS WOMEN'S CHORUS: Recruiting Singers, Rehearsals, 7-9pm;

OCTOBER ART GALLERIES

EXPLODING HEAD GALLERY: 924 12th St., 442-8424
JOHN NATSOULAS GALLERY: Gregory Kondos Travels, thru Sept 28; Joseph Mariscal "A 30 Year Survey", thru Sept 28; "Art of the Beat Era Exhibition"; Paul Mazursky, Film Event, Oct 3; Lecture, Panel, & Poetry, Oct 4; Performance Film & Poetry, Oct 5; 521 First St, Davis, (530) 756-3938
JIM FERRY'S 20th St. ART GALLERY: Denni Stanford, thru Oct 4, Tue-Sat noon-5pm; 911 20th St., 930 - 0500
PHOENIX GALLERY: "Very Special Arts of Sacramento" artwork by children at Shriners Hospital, Oct 7-10th, 10am-6pm; 2nd Saturday Reception, Oct 11, 6-10pm; 1901 Capitol Ave 447-1632
MUSEUM OF GLBT HISTORY: Saint Harvey: The Life and Afterlife of a Modern Gay Martyr, thru April 4, '04, 657 Mission St., www.glbthistory.org
SACRAMENTO FINE ARTS CENTER: Jian Wang "Bold Expressions" Sept 30-Oct 19, Tues-Sun 11-3pm; 2nd Saturday Reception Oct 11 6:30-9pm; 5330-B Gibbons Dr, Carmichael; 971-3713
TOWER FRAMING & DESIGN GALLERY: Sean Royall Paintings & Sculptures, thru Oct 4; Lewis Carroll, Oct 9-Nov 11; 2131 Northrop, Suite B, 923-6204
UP TOWN STUDIOS: Comic Book Artist Show, Sept 28, 6-10pm; 912 1/2 J St.; 446-1082

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 Calendar items should be typewritten and received at least two weeks before publication. Event sponsors must be nonprofit organizations.

Please include:
 • Name of the event
 • Times and dates
 • Event location and address
 • Name of sponsoring organization
 • Phone numbers and URL's

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ANNUAL AWARDS GALA: Shanti's 29th Gala Supporting People With Life-Threatening Illnesses, 6:00 pm, Merchants Exchange Julia Morgan Ballroom, (415) 674 - 4764

24 FRIDAY
CAPPAC DINNER: Fundraiser w/ Sen. Boxer, 5-8pm, Tsakopoulos Library Galleria; johnwb50@yahoo.com
BISEXUAL/BI-CURIOUS MEN'S CONFERENCE: Oct 24-26, Radisson San Diego Hotel; bisexual.org/
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25 SATURDAY
MYSTERY DAY HIKE: GLS; 549-3354

26 SUNDAY
BIKE RIDE FROM CSUS: GLS; 359-8076

28 TUESDAY
MANS MEETING: Men Au Naturelle Sacramento; 30
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31 FRIDAY
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!
BOO AT THE ZOO: Kids Trick or Treat, 5:30-8:30pm, Sacramento Zoo, 264-5888

THEATRE / DANCE / ORCHESTRA

BROADWAY PLAYHOUSE: 4010 El Camino Ave, Sac; 452-5995
CALIFORNIA MUSICAL THEATER: 1419 H St., 557-1999.
FOOTHILL THEATRE COMPANY: 530-265-8587
GARBEAU'S DINNER THEATRE: "Murder at Howard Johnson's"; Thru-Oct 5, Thurs-Sat 6pm, Sun 1pm; 12401 Folsom Blvd, Sac; 985-6361
LUTHER BURBANK THEATER: Best of Broadway's "Big City Lights", thru Sept 27, Fri-Sun; 3500 Florin Road; 974-6280
MONDAVI CENTER: Mark Morris Dance Group, Sept 16, 8pm, Jackson Hall; Russell Malone and Benny Green "Live at the Bistro" Sept 16-18, 8pm, Sept 19&20, 9:30pm; "Scrap Arts Music" Sept 28, 2pm; "Shaolin Warriors" Oct 2, 8pm, Jackson Hall; "Hip-Hop Theater" Oct 1-5, Wed-Sat 8pm, Sat & Sun 2pm, "Facing Mekka" Oct 10&11, 8pm, Jackson Hall; "Ladysmith Black Mambazo" Oct 14, 8pm, Jackson Hall; 866-754-ARTS, mondaviarts.org
MUSIC CIRCUS: 1419 H St, 557-1999
NEW CONSERVATORY THEATRE CENTER: "Kilt", Thru - Oct 12; Wed-Sat 8PM, Sun 2pm; 25 Van ness Ave, SF; (415) 861-8972 nctcsf.org
SAC COMMUNITY CENTER: "42nd Street" Oct 1-12; "Flower Drum Song" Nov 5-16; Rob Becker's "Defending the Caveman" Dec 27-Jan 4 '04; "Dreamgirls" January 28-February 8 '04; "Giselle, February 19-22 '04; "Thoroughly Modern Millie" May 5-16 '04; "The Producers" June 9-July 4 '04; sacbroadwayseries.com
SAC OPERA: Verdi's "La Traviata" Sept 19 8pm, Sept 21 2pm, Sept 23 7:30pm; 13th & L St; 737-1000
SAC THEATER COMPANY: "Arcadia" Oct.11-Nov. 2, Tues & Weds 6:30pm, Thur 12:30 & 8pm, Fri & Sat 8pm, Sun 2pm; "Santalaland Diaries" Nov 15-Jan 18 '04; "Little Prince" Dec 6-18; "Two For the Seesaw" Jan 24-Feb 15 '04; "Arranged Marriage" Feb 21-April 25 '04; "Convenience" March 13-April 4 '04; sactheatr.org
THEATRE RHINOCEROS: "Sleeping with Straight Men" Thru October 4; "Worse then Chocolate" Oct 16- Nov 8; "Christmas with the Crawfords" Nov 20- Jan 3 '04; "A Love Story" May 8-June 7 '04; 2926 16th St., SF. therhino.org
THE WOODLAND OPERA HOUSE: The Rainmaker, Thru-September 28, Annie, November 14-December 14, Private Lives, January 23-February 22 '04, Ragtime, April 2-May 2 '04, Stress Test, June 12 '04, The Lion in Winter, May 21-June 20 '04, Footloose, July 18 - August 3 '04; 340 Second St., Woodland. wohtheatre.org.
WELLS FARGO PAVILLION: 557-1999
WM J GEERY THEATRE: The Lambda Players "Trolling", Sept 19-Oct 18, Thurs-Sat 8pm, Sun 2pm; 484-4742

MASTER EVENTS CALENDAR

S.F. Harvey Milk and George Moscone Killed. November 27, 1978
 California Domestic Partners Law Anniversary. November 16, 2002
 Folsom Street Fair San Francisco September 28 2003
 Sacramento Sierra Stampede, 978-4040 August 2003
 Strawberry Music Festival strawberrymusic.com August 28-September 1 2003
 Sacramento Rainbow Festival 2003, 448-7798 Labor Day Weekend
 Chico Pride Festival, chicopride2001@hotmail.com September 2003
 Sacramento Valley Aids Walk September 2003
 Palm Springs Short Film Festival, www.palm-springs.org September 16, 2003
 Rosh Hashanah (begins at sundown) September 26, 2003
 National Coming Out Day. October 2003
 Breast Cancer Awareness Month October 2003
 Yom Kippur (begins at sundown) October 5, 2003
 Interpride, www.interpride.org October 2-5, 2003
 Out on Film-The Gay & Lesbian Film Festival, www.palm-springs.org October 2003
 Indigenous People's Day October 13, 2003
 Daylight Savings Time Ends October 26, 2003
 Halloween October 31, 2003
 Greater Palm Springs Pride, www.palm-springs.org November 1-2, 2003
 Election Day (Please Vote!) November 4, 2003
 Veteran's Day November 11, 2003
 Happy Thanksgiving November 27, 2003
 Hanukkah (begins at sundown) December 19, 2003
 First Day of Winter December 21, 2003
 Merry Christmas! December 25, 2003
 Kwanzaa begins December 26, 2003
 New Year's Eve December 31, 2003
 New Year's Day January 1, 2004
 Palm Springs International Film Festival, www.palm-springs.org January 8-9, 2004
 Sacramento Freedom Fair, 442-0185 June 14, 2004
 San Francisco Lesbian & Gay Film Festival, 415-703-8650 June 2004
 First Day of Summer June 21, 2004
 Los Angeles Pride Parade, www.lapride.org June 22, 2004
 San Francisco Pride Parade, 415-864-0831, sfpride.org June 28-29, 2004
 Sweden Gay Pride, www.visit-sweden.com July 30-August 3, 2004
 Montreal's GLBT Celebration, diversite.org August 2004
 Michigan Womyn's Music Festival, 231-757-4766 August 2004
 Provincetown GLBT Family Week, 619-296-0199, familypride.org August 2004
 S.F. Castro Street Fair, 415-467-3354 October 2004

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